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**SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.**

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 FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)  
 SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING  
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 ON 1-12-81  
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Re Chicago teletype dated 2/25/66, concerning KING's plans to be in NYC on 2/25 - 26/66.

b7(D) [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT KING and BERNARD LEE checked in at the hotel at 3:00 PM, 2/25/66, although he had no reservations.

In an effort to determine whether KING met with any individuals in whom the Bureau has an interest, surveillances were conducted in the lobby of the hotel on 2/25 - 26/66. However, these agents failed to observe anyone in whom there is an interest.

b7(D) [REDACTED] advised that KING and party checked out of the hotel at 6:00 PM on Saturday 2/26/66.

Confidential sources of the NYO, who furnish information concerning STANLEY LEVISON and CLARENCE JONES and their involvement in racial matters, furnished no information which indicated contact with these men and KING. (S)

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1 - Mr. Bates

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From: Director, FBI (100-106670) -2-15

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SECURITY MATTER - C

ReCGtel 2/24/66 relating details of assumption of "trusteeship" of slum building by King.

Chicago requested to expeditiously furnish the Bureau complete details regarding above matter in form suitable for dissemination. The Bureau is especially desirous of knowing if there is any indication that King's action was influenced by any subversive organizations or individuals and if any subversive organizations or individuals are taking part in renovation of the building seized by King.

Chicago will continue to closely follow all activities of King and King's organization, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, in Chicago and will immediately furnish the Bureau, in form suitable for dissemination, any information developed indicating that any subversive organizations or individuals are influencing, directing, guiding or participating in the Southern Christian Leadership Conference program in Chicago.

NOTE:

King and his organization, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, have selected Chicago as the site of the first northern invasion of the SCLC. SCLC leaders feel the future of the organization depends on its success in Chicago. They have embarked on an ambitious campaign to improve conditions for Negroes in Chicago. Retel reports that King has seized control of a slum dwelling and is proceeding to renovate it without consent of the

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owner. Inasmuch as this is an illegal act on the part of King and his organization, we are following this matter closely and especially desire to determine if there is any subversive influence behind King's action. The 2/25/66 issue of "The Washington Post" reports that the owner of the building seized by King is supporting King's action and therefore it is not probable that there will be any legal action taken against King.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-106670)

FROM CHICAGO (100-35356)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SM - C.

REMYTEL TODAY.

LOCAL NEWS MEDIA REPORTING CIVIL RIGHTS GROUPS LED BY KING CONTINUED WITHOUT INTERFERENCE RENOVATION OF WEST SIDE "SLUM BUILDING" AT ONE THREE TWO ONE SOUTH HOMAN AVENUE, CHICAGO. FURTHER LOCAL JUDGES, LAWYERS AND REAL ESTATE OFFICIALS BLASTED AS ILLEGAL THE ACTION OF KING IN ASSUMING WHAT THEY CALLED "TRUSTEESHIP" OF BUILDING. USDC JUDGE JAMES B. PARSONS QUOTED IN PART AS STATING "I DON'T THINK IT IS LEGAL; IT IS THEFT". ALSO "I AM NOT IN AGREEMENT WITH CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE OR THE FLOUNTING OF GOOD LAWS. THIS IS A REVOLUTIONARY - TACTIC".

LATE BULLETIN REPORTED COUNTY PUBLIC AID DEPARTMENT WILL WITHHOLD RENT PAYMENTS FOR TWO RELIEF FAMILIES IN BUILDING IF CIVIL RIGHTS GROUPS WHO HAVE "ASSUMED TRUSTEESHIP" OF BUILDING REFUSE TO TURN RENTAL MONEY OVER TO BUILDING OWNER.

CHICAGO FOLLOWING. LHM FOLLOWS KING'S DEPARTURE.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-106670) ATLANTA (100-5586)  
FROM CHICAGO (100-35356)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SM-C.

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Arthur  
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[REDACTED] PROVIDED INFORMATION THAT KING DEPARTED  
CG VIA DELTA FLIGHT NINE THIRTYTHREE AT EIGHT FOURTY PM SCHEDULED TO  
ARRIVE ATLANTA ELEVEN TWELVE PM THIS DATE. [REDACTED] UNABLE TO ADVISE THIS  
TIME WHEN KING ARRIVED CHICAGO.

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Mr. Casper	_____
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TO DIRECTOR 100-106670, NEW YORK AND ATLANTA 100-55861

NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON

FROM CHICAGO 100-35356 1P

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SM - C.

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[REDACTED] ADVISED THIS DATE KING DEPARTED  
CHICAGO O'HARE AIRPORT, TEN A.M., VIA TWA FLT. FOUR TWO TWO,  
SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE KENNEDY AIRPORT, NEW YORK, TWELVE FORTY  
FIVE P.M., EST. KING, IN CONVERSATION WITH SOURCE, INDICATED  
DID NOT EXPECT TO RETURN TO CHICAGO UNTIL WEDNESDAY NEXT.

PRIOR INFORMATION INDICATED KING TO RETURN TO CHICAGO FEB.  
TWENTY SIX NEXT. NEW YORK AND ATLANTA BE ALERT FOR CHANGE IN  
KING'S TRAVEL PLANS.

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ATLANTA TO BE ADVISED

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TO DIRECTOR (100-106670) AND ATLANTA (100-5586)  
FROM CHICAGO (100-35356) 2P

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SM - C.

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[REDACTED] ADVISED TODAY THAT KING ATTENDED  
NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING, NORTH SIDE CHURCH, LATE P.M. FEBRUARY  
TWENTY THREE LAST, PREVIOUSLY ADVERTISED AS MEETING CONCERNED  
PARENTS JENNER SCHOOL. KING SPOKE BRIEFLY, URGED UNITY  
AMONG ALL LOCAL CIVIL RIGHTS GROUPS.

ON FEBRUARY TWENTY THREE LAST, KING ANNOUNCED SCLC "ASSUMED  
TRUSTEESHIP" OF SLUM BUILDING, ONE THREE TWO ONE SOUTH HOMAN,  
WITH CCCO AND WEST SIDE ORGANIZATION (WSO). RENTS OF FOUR  
HUNDRED DOLLARS MONTHLY WILL BE COLLECTED BY THESE GROUPS TO  
BE USED TO CLEAN AND RENOVATE BUILDING. KING UNDECIDED WHETHER  
MORTGAGE PAYMENTS TO BE MADE. ACTION CALLED "SUPRA - LEGAL"  
BY KING, WITH MORAL QUESTION SUPERSEDING LEGAL. KING AND RABY  
LED SUBSEQUENT CLEANUP OF BUILDING, LEGAL ACTION FROM OWNER  
ANTICIPATED BY SCLC.

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TWO ONE SOUTH HOMAN, NO ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED UNTIL FIVE P.M.  
WITH RECEPTION IN NORTHBROOK, ILL., AND CHURCH MEETING, WEST  
SIDE, SCHEDULED FOR THIS P.M.

CHICAGO FOLLOWING, LHM FOLLOWS KING'S DEPARTURE.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO: Mr. Sullivan ~~SECRET~~ DATE: 2/18/66

FROM: F. J. Baumgardner

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SECURITY MATTER - COMMUNIST

1 - Mr. DeLoach 1 - Mr. Baumgardner  
1 - Mr. Mohr 1 - Mr. Bland  
1 - Mr. Wick 1 - Mr. Bates  
1 - Mr. Sullivan

b7(D)

[REDACTED] advised that on 2/3/66 Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), met with Reverend John P. Cody, Archbishop of the Chicago Diocese of the Roman Catholic Church. The meeting was in the nature of a courtesy visit, at King's request, during which King reportedly informed the Archbishop of the nature and purpose of his campaign to end segregation and discrimination against the Negro in Chicago. King has selected Chicago to be the site of the first SCLC invasion into the northern civil rights problem. It is recognized by King that the future of his organization may well rest in the success or failure of the SCLC Chicago program.

King stated at a press conference, after his meeting with the Archbishop, that he and Archbishop Cody were in substantial agreement upon the goals they were both seeking and intended to keep in touch with each other. King declared he was hopeful of the active participation of priests and nuns in connection with his SCLC program in Chicago and had gained the impression from the Archbishop that such participation was a matter of individual conscience and would not be a matter of discipline insofar as the Diocesan hierarchy was concerned.

King continues to rely heavily on the advice of his New York foursome, Stanley Levison, Harry Wachtel, Clarence Jones and Bayard Rustin, in connection with all major SCLC problems and activities. These individuals have all been members of the Communist Party or Communist Party front groups in the past. As long as King utilizes these advisors with subversive backgrounds, the danger remains that his SCLC activities will be influenced by communist-oriented thinking. Should communists or communist sympathizers succeed in influencing the SCLC Chicago program, it would be a major breakthrough for the communists in the civil rights field.

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 FROM CHICAGO (100-35356) 240418

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 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SM-C.

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 b(7)(D) [REDACTED] ADVISED KING MET WITH ELIAJH  
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 TO DIRECTOR AND ATLANTA  
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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SMPC.

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
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 ADVISED BY ROUTING  
 SLIP(S) BY MLK  
 DATE 2/23/66

*Baygarden*  
*B. M. P.*  
*F. M. P.*  
*Shapiro*

RE ATLANTA TELETYPE FEBRUARY 23, INSTANT.

b7(D) [REDACTED] ADVISE KING ARRIVED VIA EASTERN  
 AIRLINES, 10:50 A. M. INSTANT WITH WIFE AND REVEREND BERNARD  
 LEE. MRS. KING TO DEPART CHICAGO FEBRUARY 25, NEXT, FOR  
 ATLANTA, KING TO DEPART FEBRUARY 25, NEXT VIA TWA FOR NEW YORK  
 CITY. [REDACTED] ADVISED KING HAS APPEARANCE SCHEDULED THIS EVENING AT  
 MEETING CONCERNED PARENTS OF JENNER SCHOOL, CHICAGO'S NORTH SIDE;  
 HAS NO SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES FOR REMAINDER THIS STAY.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-35356)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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Re Chicago teletypes dated 2/9 and 11/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau are nine, for Atlanta three and Springfield one of a self-explanatory letterhead memorandum concerning KING and his activities in Chicago as known during the period 2/9-11/66.

On 2/9/66, information concerning KING's arrival in Chicago, and his anticipated departure, 2/11/66, was furnished to [redacted] Secret Service, and to [redacted] Region I, 113th INTC Group. Subsequent pertinent information concerning the subject was provided representatives of these agencies as it developed.

Because of the use of this highly placed source, the disclosure of whom could adversely affect the national security, the enclosed is being classified confidential.

- ④ - Bureau (Encls. 9) (RM)
- 1 - (100-438794) (SCS)
- 3 - Atlanta (100-5586) (Encls. 3) (RM)
- 1 - (100-5718) (SCLC)
- 1 - Springfield (Encl. 1) (RM)
- 1 - Chicago
- 1 - (105-16238) (SCLC)
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Chicago, Illinois  
February 14, 1966

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SECURITY MATTER - C

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DATE 12/5/79

[REDACTED] advised the Chicago Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) on February 9, 1966 that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Head of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), had arrived in Chicago at approximately 12:05 p.m. on this date from Atlanta, Georgia. King had arrived via Northwest Orient Airlines and anticipated departure on February 11, 1966, from O'Hare, to return to Atlanta.

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[REDACTED] advised the Chicago FBI Office on February 9, 1966 that his information reflected that Dr. King anticipated a series of private meetings with local civil rights leaders during this visit to Chicago, principally to make preliminary arrangements for a massive fund-raising affair for the SCLC campaign here, this affair to be held March 12, 1966 at Chicago's International Amphitheater.

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The "Chicago Sun-Times", a daily Chicago newspaper, issue of February 11, 1966, reflected an article concerning the appearance in Chicago by Dr. King, on February 10, 1966, before a luncheon gathering of 100 civic and business leaders at the Sheraton-Blackstone Hotel. The luncheon had been in the nature of a kick-off for ticket sales to the 1966 Chicago Freedom Festival, an entertainment extravaganza to be held March 12, 1966 in Chicago to raise funds for the support of

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the civil rights effort here. At his appearance before this group King had also spoken of the necessity for the SCLC campaign in Chicago as the recently passed civil rights statutes, as well as Supreme Court decisions, have done little or nothing to grapple with the problems of the millions of Negroes in the North. "We're here to stay until slums are removed from the Windy City" King stated.

According to an article in the "Chicago Tribune", another Chicago newspaper, edition of February 11, 1966, concerning this affair, other speakers had been identified as Edwin C. Berry, Head of the Chicago Urban League, Al Raby, Convenor of the Coordinating Council of Community Organizations (CCCCO) and Reverend Ralph Abernathy, identified as Vice-President, SCLC. The article also reflected that on February 10, 1966 Abernathy was scheduled to move into an adjoining apartment to that of Dr. King at 1550 South Hamlin Street, Chicago. Subsequent to this luncheon, according to this article, King and a group of advisers had again toured the slum areas near his apartment at 1550 South Hamlin, and listened to the grievances of Negro tenants here, regarding such matters as lack of heat, broken windows, walls with fallen plaster and the like.

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Regarding King's appearance in Bloomington, Illinois, note that the February 9, 1966 edition of the "Chicago Sun-Times" reflected that King was to appear at 8:00 p.m., February 10, 1966 on the campus of Illinois Wesleyan University in Bloomington.

The "Chicago Sun-Times" edition of February 12, 1966 contained an article reflecting that on the previous day, February 11, 1966, King had appeared before a group of some 200 clergymen at the Jubilee Temple, Christian Methodist Church, 114 East 59th street. King had requested support for his so-called "Operation Breadbasket", the term given to an attempt of the SCLC to increase job opportunities for Negroes through negotiation with employers, backed by the threat of boycott and picketing. A committee of 20 ministers was selected to determine such specific employers in Chicago towards whom

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

such an effort might be directed, that is areas where much Negro money is spent but where Negro employment is minimal or primarily in low level custodial type jobs. Those firms which do not respond to negotiations will face "economic penalties" meaning primarily an economic boycott of their products or merchandise.

The article continued that King had also noted during his remarks before this group that there was a real possibility he would remain in Chicago, together with his SCLC campaign here, for a year and one-half to pursue his program of equality for the Negro. He advised that in this regard there was a possibility that as time went on he might move from his apartment on Chicago's west side to one on Chicago's south side, the latter also to be an area of concentration for his program here.

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The YCL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

[REDACTED] advised the Chicago FBI Office on February 11, 1966 that Dr. King had departed Chicago at approximately 8:40 p.m. this date via Delta Airlines en route to Atlanta, Georgia.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE 2/17/66

FROM : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (62-1626) - C -

SUBJECT:

INFORMATION CONCERNING  
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DATE 1-12-81 BY SPY JDM/ld  
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DATE: February 15, 16, 1966  
AT: Springfield, Illinois  
NAME: [REDACTED]

Re SAC letter 59-13, dated 3/10/59.

On 2/15/66, [REDACTED] Springfield, Illinois, telephonically advised that she had received in the mail a postcard which she thought the FBI should know about. She stated that this card had a picture of MARTIN LUTHER KING with some other people, with a statement at the top of this postcard "A training school for Communists." This card was mailed from Springfield, Illinois, and the return address was the American Opinion, Belmont, Massachusetts. On this card was a hand printed note which read, "Call 525-1717."

A few minutes after the above telephone call was received, [REDACTED] Springfield, Illinois, furnished the following information:

[REDACTED] advised that if you call 525-1717, you will hear a recording which defames MARTIN LUTHER KING and calls him a Communist. [REDACTED] advised that something should be done about stopping this recording, and that he was going to call the telephone company and make a complaint.

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1: (100-106670)  
2 - Atlanta (100-5586) (Enc. 2) (RM)  
2 - Boston (Enc. 2) (RM)  
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On 2/15/66 [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Springfield, Illinois, [REDACTED]  
the Springfield office, furnished SA [REDACTED]  
a copy of the above-mentioned postcard. He stated  
this is causing some concern among members of the  
Negro race in Springfield, and wanted to bring  
this card to the attention of the authorities in an  
effort to get it stopped. He said the postcard need  
not be returned.

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On 2/16/66, [REDACTED] appeared  
at the Springfield office and furnished the above-  
mentioned postcard, and stated that it need not be  
returned to him.

SA [REDACTED] determined from the  
telephone company that telephone number 525-1717  
is registered in the name of [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Springfield, Illinois.

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On 11/10/65, one [REDACTED] appeared at the  
Springfield Office of the FBI and introduced himself  
as the coordinator of the JOHN BIRCH Society. He  
advised he resides at [REDACTED] Chatham,  
Illinois, and that he operates his office out of his  
home.

The above is being furnished for the  
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(U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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TO DIRECTOR (100-106670) AND ATLANTA (100-5586)  
FROM CHICAGO (100-35356)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SM-C.

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. DeLoach	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Bishop	
Mr. Casper	
Mr. Callahan	
Mr. Conrad	
Mr. Felt	
Mr. Gale	
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Mr. Holmes	
Miss Gandy	

RE CHICAGO TELETYPE FEBRUARY SEVENTEEN LAST.

ADVISED KING DEPARTED CHICAGO BY EASTERN AIRLINES  
THIS PM EN ROUTE ATLANTA. CHICAGO PD INVESTIGATION HAS DEVELOPED NO  
INFO RE RUMORS ON CHICAGO'S WEST SIDE INVOLVING SO-CALLED "CRIME  
SYNDICATE" EFFORTS TO HARM KING. CHICAGO SOURCES CONTACTED TO DATE  
RE THIS MATTER UNABLE TO PROVIDE ANY INFO.

FEBRUARY SEVENTEEN LAST, KING TOURED SLUM AREA BUILDINGS AND  
POOL ROOMS IN VICINITY HIS APARTMENT, ONE FIVE FIVE ZERO SOUTH  
HAMLIN. HAO ORGANIZATION MEETING THIS PM WITH CLERGY, SOUTH SIDE  
CHURCH, REPORTEDLY RE "OPERATION BREADBASKET", PREVIOUSLY DESCRIBED.

"CHICAGO DAILY NEWS" THIS PM EDITION, ADVISED KING HAD STATED  
TODAY HAS PLANS TO MEET WITH ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, NOI LEADER, SOMETIME WITHIN  
NEXT TWO WEEKS IN CHICAGO, INDICATING INVITATION FROM MUHAMMAD TO GO  
SO OF LONG STANDING. PURPOSE OF MEETING REPORTEDLY ATTEMPT TO  
"NEUTRALIZE" OPPOSITION TO KING'S PROGRAM IN CHICAGO. LHM FOLLOWS.  
NO INCIDENTS OR DISORDERS KNOWN INVOLVING KING WHILE IN CHICAGO  
SS AND MILITARY ADVISED OF KING'S DEPARTURE

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The teletype referenced by Chicago simply furnished an itinerary for Martin Luther King, indicating he was due in Chicago 2/16/66 and would depart 2/18/66.

Information developed by Chicago concerning rumors of threats against King will be furnished to the Department.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-106670) AND ATLANTA (100-5586)

From Chicago

Security Matter  
Communist

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SM-C.

Reference

RE CHICAGO TELETYPE DATED FEBRUARY SIXTEEN LAST.

b7(D) [REDACTED] CONTACTED CONCERNING KING'S ACTIVITIES ADVISED

TODAY OF RUMORS CIRCULATING CHICAGO'S WEST SIDE TO EFFECT POSSIBLE MEMBERS OF "CRIME SYNDICATE" ATTEMPTING TO CONTACT WEST SIDE YOUTH GANG MEMBERS IN EFFORT TO FIND THOSE OPPOSED TO KING'S PROGRAM FOR PURPOSE OF OFFERING MONEY TO HARM KING. <sup>POLICE DEPARTMENT</sup> PD INVESTIGATION TO

REGARDING DATE RE RUMORS REFLECTS NO SUBSTANCE OF FACT TO SUBSTANTIATE SAME. <sup>POLICE DEPARTMENT</sup> PD UNABLE TO DEVELOPE ORIGINAL SOURCE OF RUMORS OR IDENTITIES

ALLEGED MEMBER "CRIME SYNDICATE" REPORTEDLY INVOLVED. MOTIVATION FOR SUCH A PLOT AGAINST KING UNKNOWN TO <sup>POLICE DEPARTMENT</sup> PD TO DATE.

<sup>DEPARTMENT</sup> PD INVESTIGATION CONTINUING AND CHICAGO CONTACTING

APPROPRIATE SOURCES IN EFFORT TO DEVELOP ANY INFORMATION THIS REGARD. MILITARY AND SECRET SERVICE ADVISED. <sup>LETTERHEAD AND ATTACHED DOCUMENT</sup> LHM FOLLOWS.

PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED BUREAU AND ATLANTA.

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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-149194)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL SCLC  
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(OO: Atlanta)

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Enclosed are ten copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) reporting information from [REDACTED] Two copies of the LHM are enclosed for the information of the Atlanta Office. One copy is enclosed for the information of Chicago.

The source was of the opinion that LEVISON and KING's conference was such that KING was in Atlanta and LEVISON was in New York City.

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1 - New York (100-111180) (STANLEY LEVISON) (42)  
1 - New York (100-136585) (MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.) (42)  
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Re: Communist Infiltration of the Southern  
Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC)  
Internal Security - C

On February 14, 1966, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Martin Luther King (President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, SCLC), and Stanley Levison were in conference on that date. The purpose of their contact was to give Levison an opportunity to get King's comments concerning a telegram Levison had prepared to send to Trade Unions. The telegram, according to the information furnished by the source, was in essence as follows: (S)

"Historic opportunities to liberalize the South through Negro voter registration are at point of climax. SCLC is deploying maximum resources in Alabama and Registration books close in thirty days, emphasizing need for all out effort now. Simultaneously, we are leading Chicago assault on slums - we are collaborating with Trade Unions there to organize hospital and laundry workers. Significant breakthroughs for democratic rights can be made in next weeks. I know you will understand urgency and help significantly as you have before. Please send to my attention, Martin Luther King, Jr., c/o SCLC, Atlanta" (S)

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Re: Communist Infiltration of the SCLC  
Internal Security - C

At King's suggestion, Levison changed the telegram to make a direct appeal for financial support instead of just asking for help in general. (S)

Levison said he had selected about 15 to 20 unions to receive copies of the telegram. (S) 2

Following the telegram matter, the conversation shifted to the SCLC's drive to eradicate slums in Chicago. In this regard, King said Mayor Daley of Chicago held a Press conference on Thursday (February 10, 1966), and from the statements made, one would think that he (King) had held the conference. According to King, Daley, in response to a question as to whether he was feeling pressure from the SCLC's drive, stated that he was not, that the changes announced by him (Daley), had been planned for months. (S)

Levison, after hearing King's statement, said he was of the opinion that the public is becoming aware of King's efforts in Chicago as they did in Montgomery, Alabama, many years ago. And as a consequence, changes will occur, Levison predicted. (S) 2



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The NYO does not possess information suitable to characterize AL DUCKETT and CHAUNCEY ESKRIDGE.

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This letterhead memorandum is classified "Secret" because it contains information from [redacted] a source which furnishes information of a highly sensitive nature about racial matters in the U.S., and the Communist infiltration thereof. (S)

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Re: Communist Infiltration of the  
Southern Christian Leadership  
Conference, SCLC

On February 11, 1966, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which disclosed that Stanley Levison and Adele Kanter (Director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, SCLC office in New York City) were in contact on that date regarding SCLC operational matters. In that regard, they discussed the recent fund raising affair which was held by the SCLC at the Riverside Church, New York City on January 2, 1966.

Levison said that as a consequence of the poor reception on the part of the ministers who attended the function, it has been decided that in the future, contacts will be made on an individual basis rather than on a mass basis. In pointing out just how disappointing the Riverside results were, Levison said only eight pledges were received.

Bill Stein (Church fund raiser for the SCLC), Levison said, spent two months making plans for the Riverside Church function, although Martin Luther King (President of the SCLC)

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Re: Communist Infiltration of the  
Southern Christian Leadership  
Conference, SCLC

had opposed the function. Levison said he now concurs with King that it is a waste of time and effort to hold big affairs similar to the Riverside one. (S)

Furthermore, Levison also agrees with King when he contends that <sup>more</sup> contributions are received from contacts by William Stein with individuals and specific churches than from mass meetings (S)

On February 14, 1966, the same source advised that Levison and Kanter were in contact on that date, during which time Levison told Kanter what transpired at the emergency SCLC financial meeting which was held in Atlanta, Georgia, on February 12, 1966. First, Levison said, the meeting was a very good one and said the financial difficulties of the SCLC were squarely handled. He said he (Levison) asked that the program of the SCLC be curtailed, which drew the ire of King, who opposed any curtailment. (S)

In elaborating on some of the things considered and acted upon, Levison said Harry Belafonte was recently in Europe to set up an SCLC benefit affair in Sweden, Norway and Paris. Levison said the benefit planned for Sweden would be fantastic because the Prime Minister would be the Chairman, the Post Office in Sweden would handle the affair, and the National Treasury would handle the money. Levison said the Swedish banks were paying the expenses of the affair, and "they" (the SCLC) expected to net \$200,000. (S)

Levison mentioned that Clarence Jones, who also attended the Atlanta meeting, announced that the SCLC had received only \$25,000 from the Teamsters Union, although officials had made great promises subsequent to the murder of Mrs. Viola Liuzzo in Alabama, last year. (S)

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Re: Communist Infiltration of the  
Southern Christian Leadership  
Conference, SCLC

King, Levison said, in remarking on Jones' statement, said when he was returning from the Liuzzo funeral, James Hoffa (President of the Teamsters) and Harold Gibbons of the Teamsters, told him they would raise a very large sum for the SCLC. (C)

Levison said Jones is a very close friend of one of the top attorneys of the Teamsters Union, Sidney Cohn (Phonetic), therefore, he should try to tread his way and see if he can get something going in order to get the funds promised. (S)

In considering other means to raise funds, Levison said Chauncey Eskridge (Attorney and legal adviser to the SCLC) came up with the idea of a radio program for King. The program as envisioned by Eskridge, would be for ten minutes on Sunday mornings, and "they" would sell two spots before and after, get a sponsor and make an appeal on the air to Negroes. Levison said he disagreed wholeheartedly with the idea, however, over his opposition, it was agreed that Dr. Billy Graham's (noted evangelist) experts would help them get the project off the ground. (S)

In order to cover back bills of the SCLC, Levison said it was agreed that an emergency approach would be made to churches and labor unions. In addition, according to Levison, \$30,000 will be borrowed to help clear the bills. (S)

The reserve fund, according to Levison, contains about \$34,000 plus another reserve which they don't want to touch. In addition, there are stocks in a well known mutual fund amounting to \$100,000. Levison said if necessary, they could borrow on them in order to pay off the bills. (S)

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Levison said the SCLC has expectations to raise money in Chicago, Illinois, and the trade unions <sup>are</sup> expected to raise between \$50,000 and \$100,000 in that city. An affair being run by them (SCLC) in Chicago, is expected to net \$80,000 and a dinner is expected to raise a large amount of money since they already have \$35,000 in pledges. (S)

One point proposed by him was accepted during the meeting, Levison told Kanter. He said it was agreed that the SCLC should pin point every area in which it expects to raise money, then appoint one person to be the supervisor in charge in that area. He said he came up with the responsibility for Al Duckett (public relations man in New York City who handles King's promotional activities) due to the fact that Billy Eckstine (noted male singer) was desirous of a five city tour to raise money for the SCLC and that it was a Duckett operation. Levison said he would supervise the money Duckett spends on the arrangements for the proposed Eckstine tour. (S)

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Re: Communist Infiltration of the  
Southern Christian Leadership  
Conference, SCLC

Clarence Jones

Clarence Jones is the General Counsel  
to the Gandhi Society for Human Rights,  
15 East 40th Street, New York, New York.

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The Labor Youth League has been designated  
pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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Re Atlanta airtel to Bureau, 1/25/66; Chicago teletype to Springfield, 2/9/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau are nine copies of a letterhead memorandum captioned "MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR."

Enclosed for Atlanta are three copies of this same letterhead memorandum, and enclosed for Chicago are two copies of this letterhead memorandum.

It is to be noted there was no appearance made at Illinois State University, Normal, Illinois, by KING.

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
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SI 100-10392

Springfield, Illinois  
February 15, 1966

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

b7(D) [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. arrived at the Bloomington, Illinois Airport from Chicago, Illinois at 8 PM by chartered plane on February 10, 1966.

[REDACTED] advised that at the Illinois Wesleyan University Field House, Bloomington, Illinois, King addressed approximately 3,000 people, composed preponderantly of student and faculty members from Illinois Wesleyan University and Illinois State University, Normal, Illinois. He related there was a sprinkling of townspeople in attendance.

The "Daily Panagraph", a daily newspaper published at Bloomington, Illinois, in the issue printed the morning of February 11, 1966, stated that King reported on civil rights gains.

The same news article said King stated "If democracy is to live, segregation must die". He reported that the average negro who is employed today "Earns ten times more than the average negro wage earner twelve years ago." He further stated "Twenty per cent of the negro families earn less than \$1,000 annually compared against five per cent of the white families in the same category."

The same news article stated that King stated "While this nation faces the lowest level of unemployment in the last seven or eight years", he pointed out, "unemployment among negroes is at its highest level". Also, he stressed the need for public work programs.

The article further stated that King related that a psychological change is needed "One of the tragedies of

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slum life is that it causes people to lose faith and resign themselves to fate."

The article went on to state that after King spoke for nearly an hour, he engaged in fifteen minutes of answering questions and stated he had to end his meeting early as he was needed in Chicago, Illinois at 11 PM, February 10, 1966, to plan strategy for a union to end slums in Chicago, Illinois.

b7(D) [REDACTED] advised that immediately subsequent to his speech, King departed from Bloomington, Illinois by chartered private plane en route Chicago, Illinois. He advised the plane left the Bloomington, Illinois Airport at 10:15 PM, February 10, 1966.

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RE:

BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.  
(U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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TO DIRECTOR (100-40670) AND ATLANTA (100-5586)

FROM CHICAGO (100-35356)

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RE ATLANTA TEL FEBRUARY FIFTEEN LAST.

b7(D) [REDACTED] ADVISE KING ARRIVED NOON TODAY VIA EASTERN AIR LINES SCHEDULED TO DEPART FEBRUARY EIGHTEEN NEXT FOR ATLANTA. KING MET AT AIRPORT BY LARGE GROUP OF SUPPORTERS INCLUDING AL RABY. [REDACTED] HAS SCHEDULE FOR KING'S ACTIVITIES INDICATING STAFF MEETINGS THIS PM, VISIT TO LEGAL AID OFFICE, ONE TWO THREE WEST MADISON STREET AND EVENING APPEARANCE AT PRIVATE RESIDENCE, CHICAGO'S SOUTHSIDE THIS PM.

[REDACTED] SCHEDULE FOR KING FEBRUARY SEVENTEEN NEXT INCLUDES ONLY NEIGHBORHOOD VISITS AND CONTACTS COMMENCING TWELVE NOON. MASS MEETING, DETAILS NOT KNOWN, SCHEDULED FEBRUARY EIGHTEEN NEXT, ONE PM.

CHICAGO FOLLOWING. PERTINENT INFO WILL BE FURNISHED BUREAU AND ATLANTA.. LHM FOLLOWS KING'S DEPARTURE.

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February 16, 1966

Fort Worth, Texas 76112

Dear [REDACTED]

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I received your letter of February 11th and want to thank you for your kind remarks about my administration of the FBI and for your interest in literature this Bureau distributes. It is hoped our future endeavors will continue to merit your support and approval.

With respect to your inquiry, information contained in files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice. Therefore, I am certain you will understand why I am not in a position to comment as you have suggested.

Enclosed is some material I trust will be of interest to you.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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U. S. News and World Report 12-7-64

U. S. News and World Report 12-21-64

Excerpt from Appropriations Testimony 3-4-65, Civil Rights

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

During these days of social revolution in our country, I am often asked questions concerning those who are involved in revolutionary action. I like to be as well informed as possible, and I will appreciate any help which you can give me with regard to the following questions.

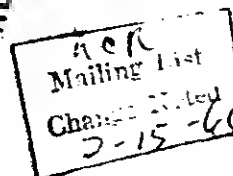
Several have contacted me concerning a picture which is being circulated. It represents Martin Luther King as a member of a class in a Communist training school. ~~You are undoubtedly familiar with the picture, for it is even on billboards in certain states.~~ Is it possible for you to give me any information concerning this picture? I will also appreciate it if you can indicate to me whether you have found that Dr. King is affiliated with any Communist organizations or activities.

Let me assure you that I am building no brief for or against Dr. King. Nor do I desire information for use in any publication. I desire simply to be correctly informed.

I appreciate the excellent service you have given to our country for many years. I also appreciate the materials which you have published. They have been helpful in our study of the ideological struggle between Christianity and Communism.

Sincerely,

b7(c) [REDACTED]



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RE: POSSIBLE RACIAL VIOLENCE  
IN MAJOR URBAN AREAS  
RACIAL MATTERS

*Mark in Luther King*

Re Buairtel to Albany, 8-8-64, and Springfield  
airtel to Bureau, 2-8-68.

BRIEF SUMMARY

Enclosed herewith are eight copies of letterhead  
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In Reply, Please Refer to  
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Springfield, Illinois  
February 10, 1968

POSSIBLE RACIAL VIOLENCE  
IN MISSOURI URBAN AREAS  
SPRINGFIELD DIVISION

There has been no change in any of the categories listed in Springfield memorandum of August 14, 1964, except as noted herein.

AT EAST ST. LOUIS, ILLINOIS

OBJECTIVES SOUGHT BY MINORITY COMMUNITY AND  
POSSIBLE POINTS OF CONFRONTATION

[REDACTED] advised that NAACP plans a "Spring Offensive" against the construction trades industry in East St. Louis. According to [REDACTED] it is felt by the NAACP that discrimination in the skilled crafts in the East St. Louis area is among the worst of anywhere in the country. According to [REDACTED] U. S. Labor Secretary W. WILLIAM WILKIE is to send a task force to investigate charges of discriminatory practices in the building trades in the East St. Louis area and, if possible, demonstrations want to be avoided. b7(D)

According to [REDACTED] contractors and union representatives were requested to meet with the NAACP officials, including [REDACTED] National NAACP Labor Secretary. The meeting is set for 2 p.m., Wednesday, February 9, 1968. According to [REDACTED], 32 letters were sent to various representatives inviting them to the meeting and if they did not appear a demonstration would be scheduled for 8 a.m., February 10, 1968, and the target for the demonstration would be the new Federal Building under construction in the 300 block of Missouri Avenue, East St. Louis, Illinois. According to [REDACTED] no "lie-ins" were planned but peaceful picketing would take place, including a march from downtown East St. Louis.

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POSSIBLE RACIAL VIOLENCE  
IN N. W. URBAN AREAS  
SPRINGFIELD DIVISION

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[REDACTED] advised that he had been covering a story recently concerning the demands by the NAACP that the labor unions locally, particularly the building trades unions, permit more Negro membership and allow more Negroes to work in the building trades jobs. He stated that on February 9, 1968, a meeting had been held between the head of the Local NAACP Chapter and their representative of the Negro community with the Southern Illinois Builders Association representative along with several representatives of local contractors. This meeting had been well publicized and the demands of the Negro community had been well known, and at the meeting the NAACP was assured that the representative from the contractors and building trades would request the unions to supply Negro workers on the various construction jobs in the area and particularly in jobs where Federal requirements require a particular percentage of Negroes.

The NAACP had previously announced that if the above described meeting did not result successfully for the Negro community a demonstration would follow on Thursday, February 10, in the vicinity of the Federal Building, which is now being constructed on Missouri Avenue between Sixth and Seventh.

A group of approximately 100 Negroes assembled at Eighth and Broadway about 8:30 a.m., February 10, to hear the announcement by the NAACP Chapter head, at which time he told them the results of the meeting and that a second meeting had

POTENTIAL RACIAL VIOLENCE  
IN SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS  
SPRINGFIELD DIVISION

been scheduled at the City Hall for 10:30 a.m., Thursday, February 17, 1966, to report progress. This announcement, as well as the rain and wet conditions, precluded any demonstration and the group departed.

AT SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

GENERAL RACIAL CONDITIONS

On February 15, 1966, [REDACTED] Springfield, Illinois, advised he received a postcard which had a picture of MARTIN LUTHER KING on it with some other people with a statement at the top of this postcard "Training School for Communists". He said the card was mailed from Springfield, Illinois, and bore the return address of the American Opinion, Belmont, Massachusetts. On this card was a handprinted note which read "Call 525-1717".

[REDACTED] advised that upon telephoning that phone number this number was determined to be a recording which apparently was somewhat of a character assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING. He said various members of the NAACP and others of the Negro race in Springfield have received these postcards and are somewhat up in arms about them. He said while nothing has taken place yet obviously this matter will be discussed at the next meeting of the NAACP in an effort to get the recording stopped and the person responsible for it prosecuted for any possible violation of law that can be developed.

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. The information set forth is based on the comments and views of local Government officials, police officials, leaders of various racial groups, established sources, and public source information and pertains to the racial situation as of the time the comments and views were expressed; the possibility that the racial situation in a particular area may abruptly change at any time must be taken into consideration. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)  
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-35356)  
SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SM - C

Re Chicago teletypes dated 2/2 and 5/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau are nine (9) copies, for Atlanta three (3) copies, of a self-explanatory LHM concerning KING and his activities in Chicago as known during the period 2/2-5/66.

On 2/2/66, information concerning KING's presence in Chicago was provided to [redacted] Region I, 113th INTC Group, Chicago, Illinois, and [redacted] U.S. Secret Service, Chicago. Subsequent pertinent information concerning activities of KING, including the threat against his life, was made available to representatives of Secret Service and Region I, 113th INTC Group, as it developed.

- 1 - Bureau (Encls. 9) ENCLOSURE  
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(1 - 100-5718) (SCLC)  
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In connection with recent Atlanta and New York communications reflecting KING planned to meet in Chicago on Friday, February 4, 1966, with BAYARD RUSTIN, of New York, there has been no information forthcoming from any sources normally utilized in this matter indicating that such a meeting took place or that RUSTIN was in Chicago.

No reference was made in the enclosed LHM concerning information provided by [REDACTED] 2/3/66, and included in Chicago teletype of 2/3/66. This information would add nothing to the LHM and the NOI interest in KING's appearance was solely from a standpoint of observing what transpired, as was later clarified by this source on 2/3/66. b(2) b(7)(D)

As Chicago teletype of 2/3/66 reflected, the information provided by the source re the NOI interest in KING's appearance, because of its proximity to the residence of the NOI leader, was furnished immediately in paraphrased form to the office of the Deputy Superintendent, Chicago Police Department.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Chicago, Illinois

FEB. 8, 1966

**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SECURITY MATTER - C**

[REDACTED] advised the Chicago Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) on February 2, 1966, that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. had arrived in Chicago at approximately 5:50 PM on that date via Trans-World Airlines from New York City, New York. Upon arrival, King had indicated his intention of residing while in Chicago at the apartment recently rented for him in a Chicago slum area on the west side; that is, 1550 South Hamlin Avenue, Chicago. b7(D)

ILL. [REDACTED] advised the Chicago Office of the FBI on February 3, 1966, that during the morning hours of this date Dr. King had met for approximately one and one-half hours with the Reverend John D. Cody, Archbishop of the Chicago Catholic Archdiocese. The meeting had been in the nature of a courtesy visit, at King's request, during the course of which King reportedly had informed Archbishop Cody of the nature and purposes of his campaign to end segregation and discrimination against the Negro here in Chicago. [REDACTED] advised that King had stated in a press conference shortly after this meeting that he and Archbishop Cody were in substantial agreement upon the goals that both were seeking and intended to keep in touch with each other. King stated that he was hopeful of the active participation of priests and nuns in connection with his Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) program here and had gained the impression from the Archbishop that such participation was a matter of individual conscience and would not be a matter of discipline insofar as the church hierarchy in this archdiocese was concerned. King had been accompanied to this conference by Reverend Andrew Young and Bernard Lee, both officials of Dr. King's SCLC.

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LL [REDACTED] advised on February 4, 1966, that King had appeared as scheduled the previous evening at a rally at the Kenwood United Church of Christ, 4608 South Greenwood Avenue, Chicago. This rally was held under the auspices of the Kenwood-Oakland Community Organization, the Woodlawn Organization, and the Unity Organization for Hyde Park High School, all described as local neighborhood civil rights and community improvement type groups. During his remarks here King had attacked the recent decision of the Chicago Board of Education to build a new high school in the Hyde Park-Kenwood community area, rather than in enlarging the existing Hyde Park High School. The sponsoring organizations, as well as a number of other neighborhood groups, feel that a new high school constructed in this area will create more segregated school conditions by drawing from the existing Hyde Park High School the few white students remaining in the area. King in his remarks supported this thesis and stated that the weight of his SCLC forces here would be thrown behind those in opposition to the Board of Education decision. LL

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

b7(D)

In connection with the above appearance at the Kenwood Church, an article in the February 4, 1966, edition of the "Chicago's American", a daily Chicago newspaper, reflected the facts of this threat, also stated that King's appearance at this particular meeting had been against his local doctor's orders as he was suffering from an attack of bronchitis. This article stated that the possibility existed King would have to curtail his Chicago activities during the next day or so because of his physical condition.

**[REDACTED]** advised the Chicago Office on February 7, 1966, that Dr. King had appeared as scheduled at the so-called Rally to End Slums, February 5, 1966, at the Mozart Baptist Church, 2900 West Adams Street. King's comments here were very brief and King appeared to be suffering the effects of his recent illness. Approximately 1,000 persons were present and heard King urge Chicago's slum dwellers to organize to end the conditions under which they live. He urged the formation of action units, or unions, to gain the necessary numerical strength to bargain with the forces responsible for these slum conditions. King charged that too many Negro slum residents have become satisfied with their conditions and adjusted to them. **[REDACTED]** continued that earlier reports had been made to this meeting by study groups on education, economics, housing and politics. Reverend James Bevel, SCLC Staff Worker in Chicago, had urged continuing organizational efforts in all these categories and suggested that the formation of slum tenant councils will commence in the near future.

*ILL*  
**[REDACTED]** *SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE*  
**[REDACTED]** above, advised on February 5, 1966, that Dr. King had departed Chicago from O'Hare Airport at approximately 5:00 PM on that date, via Delta Airlines for Atlanta, Georgia. There was no information available at this time concerning his return to Chicago during the following week.

**[REDACTED]** advised on February 7, 1966, that apart from the telephone threat to the Kenwood Church on the evening of February 3, 1966, there had been no incidents or disorders of any kind in connection with the presence of King in Chicago during the period February 2-5, 1966.

A copy of this memorandum is being provided to the following, all in Chicago: United States Secret Service, Office of the United States Attorney, and Region I, 113th INTC Group.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-106670) AND ATLANTA (100-5586)  
FROM CHICAGO (100-35356)

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MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. SM - C.

RE CG TEL FEB NINE LAST.

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RE:

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(U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-149194)

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SUBJECT: COMINFIL SCLC  
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(OO: Atlanta)

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AND FIELD OFFICES  
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Enclosed are ten copies of a letterhead memorandum  
(LHM) incorporating information from [REDACTED] Two copies  
of this LHM are enclosed for the Atlanta Office. *(5)*

[REDACTED] *b(2) b(7)(D)*

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New York, New York  
February 11, 1966

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Re: Communist Infiltration of the Southern  
Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC)

On February 9, 1966, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Stanley Levison and Adele Kanter (Director of the New York Office of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, SCLC), were in contact on that date. According to the source, their principal concern was financial matters of the SCLC. (S)

Levison, in emphasizing just how shakey the SCLC's financial position is, said it is so bad that Martin Luther King (President of the SCLC) called an emergency meeting of the SCLC for Saturday, February 12, 1966, in Atlanta, Georgia. He acknowledged, however, that King showed vision in recognizing the danger signs before it becomes too late. (S)

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In order to try to project just what the expenses and receipts of the SCLC would be for the current fiscal period, Levison said he was of the opinion that between \$350,000 and \$400,000 gross would be taken in from their mailings. He said expenses would run about \$110,000. (S)

Levison repeated that he felt they could get gross of \$400,000 or 40 per cent of the budget from their mail appeals. He noted that there is a weakness in that "they" (SCLC) are counting on getting \$150,000 from benefits, although there are no benefits scheduled, and the balance (of the budget) from the American Foundation for Non-Violence. (S)

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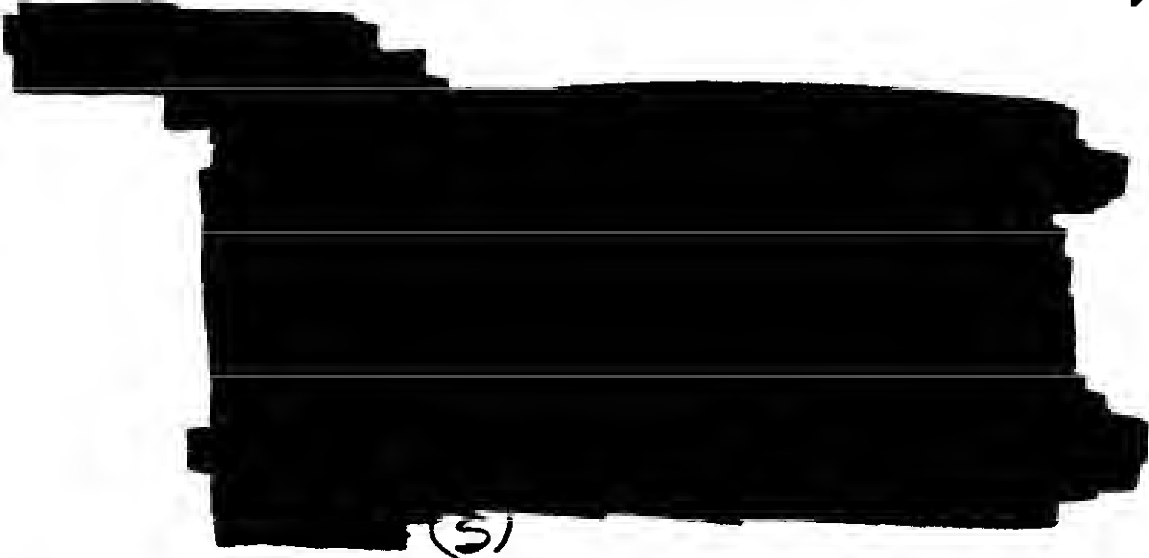


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Re: Communist Infiltration of the SCLC  
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The same confidential source stated on February 9, 1966, that Stanley Levison has reservations aboard Delta Airlines Flight 917, which leaves Kennedy International Airport, New York City, at 7:00 AM, February 12, 1966, for Atlanta. The flight is scheduled to arrive Atlanta at 9:46 AM, that morning. He also has return reservations aboard Delta Airlines Flight 816, which leaves Atlanta at 5:55 PM on February 12, 1966, and arrives New York City at 7:36 PM. ~~(S)~~



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Re New York teletype dated 2/9/66, reporting that an emergency meeting of the SCLC will be held in Atlanta on 2/12/66.

Enclosed are ten copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) reporting information contained in referenced teletype. Two copies are enclosed for Atlanta's information. b(2) b(7)(D)

The source of the information was [REDACTED], a source close to STANLEY LEVISON and, according to the source, LEVISON was in New York City and KING in Atlanta when they conferred on 2/8/66.

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New York, New York  
February 12, 1966

100-438794

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REASON - FCIM 11, 1-2.4.2  
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Re: Communist Infiltration of the Southern  
Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC)  
Internal Security - C

On February 8, 1966, a confidential source, who has  
shown reliable information in the past, advised that  
Ray Robinson and Martin Luther King (President of the SCLC),  
in contact on that date and discussed what King described  
as an emergency meeting of the SCLC. The meeting, according to  
the source, will be held in Atlanta, Georgia, on Saturday,  
February 12, 1966, and will be concerned with financial  
difficulties being experienced by the SCLC. In pointing out  
how bad conditions are in the SCLC, King said only about two  
or three hundred dollars a day in donations were received  
during the last two weeks, although the back debts of the  
SCLC exceeded \$50,000 and are continuing. (S)

Robinson told King that he was not surprised that he  
called the meeting because he was convinced when he was  
in Atlanta, that an emergency crisis meeting would have  
been called. He said he saw at that time that the financial  
situation was not sound. King concurred, expressing concern and  
saying that he just could not have the problem hanging over  
his head while he was trying to do a job in Chicago and  
elsewhere. He said since he was away from SCLC headquarters  
most of the time, he had to devise a sounder way of operating.  
Robinson agreed, remarking that "you either have to relate your  
expenditures to your realistic income or you have to have trouble" (S)

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Levison said, however, that money would start coming in now and would continue quite well for the next two months. He said that was due to the fact that "their" (SCLC) most solid mail appeal had just gone out several days ago.

Levison inquired if Harry Wachtel and Clarence Jones be in attendance at the meeting. King said he had not invited them and asked Levison if he should contact them. Although Levison did not answer specifically, he said he was of the opinion that Wachtel had grossly overstated the amount of money he could raise; that he did not believe Wachtel had made a realistic estimate of what he could raise. Levison said he did not know whether this meeting would be the appropriate one for King to have Wachtel, but said he (King) must soon sit down with Wachtel and find out just what he can raise. King said he had not talked with Wachtel in several weeks and asked if he was back from his vacation. Levison said he did not know but at King's suggestion, said he would try to reach Wachtel and Jones to get them to go to the meeting.

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Communist Infiltration of the SCLC  
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Harry Wachtel

Harry Wachtel is the Executive Vice President of the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, New York, New York.

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A characterization of the National Lawyers Guild is attached hereto.

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With respect to the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, it is to be noted that this organization is an adjunct of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), of which Martin Luther King, Jr., is the president, and serves to raise funds for the SCLC.

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Re: Communist Infiltration of the SCLC  
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Clarence Jones

Clarence Jones is the General Counsel  
to the Gandhi Society for Human Rights,  
15 East 40th Street, New York, New York.



The Labor Youth League has been designated  
pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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Re: Communist Infiltration of the SCLC  
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APPENDIX

NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of December 1, 1961, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the National Lawyers Guild:

"National Lawyers Guild

- "1. Cited as a Communist front.  
(Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1311 on the CIO Political Action Committee, March 29, 1944, p. 149).
- "2. Cited as a Communist front which 'is the foremost legal bulwark of the Communist Party, its front organizations, and controlled unions' and which 'since its inception has never failed to rally to the legal defense of the Communist Party and individual members thereof, including known espionage agents.'  
(Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 3123 on the National Lawyers Guild, September 21, 1950, originally released September 17, 1950.)
- "3. 'To Defend the cases of Communist lawbreakers, fronts have been devised making special appeals in behalf of civil liberties and reaching out far beyond the confines of the Communist Party itself. Among these organizations are the \* \* \* National Lawyers Guild. When the Communist Party itself is under fire these offer a bulwark of protection.'  
(Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Handbook for Americans, S. Doc. 117, April 23, 1956, p. 91)".

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(U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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FROM: SAC, MIAMI (157-487) (P)

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(AT:00)

Enclosed for the Bureau are 8 copies, and for  
Atlanta 3 copies, of a LHM.

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MM T-2 [REDACTED]

On 2/3/66, the Miami Police Department and  
the Sheriff's Office of Dade County were advised concern-  
ing this meeting. No information was received of any  
indication of violence in connection with this meeting.

Miami indices contain numerous references to A. D.  
MOORE, CECIL G. ROLLE, and Rev. JOHN PAPANDREW engaging in  
civil rights activity.

A copy of the LHM is being disseminated to the  
U. S. Department of State, Coordinator of Cuban Affairs,  
Miami.

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**MM 157-487**

**Miami will continue to follow activities of  
the Miami Chapter of the SCLC.**



In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No. 100-469

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Miami, Florida  
February 8, 1966

RE: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF  
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADER-  
SHIP CONFERENCE;  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C.

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On February 4, 1966, MM T-3 advised that it  
was learned that the meeting for the formation of a Miami

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RE: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN  
CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE.

Chapter of SCLC was held on February 3, 1966, with about fifty persons in attendance. Harry Boyte, of Atlanta, Georgia, was the main speaker. The purpose of the meeting was to raise funds and begin a recruitment drive for people to join SCLC. A. D. Moore, Chairman of the Miami Chapter of the Congress of Racial Equality, was elected as Chairman. Neil Adams, a local Negro leader from the Brownsville Section of Miami, was offered a position in the new chapter, but declined to accept it. It was reported that when 1000 people can be assured of attending a meeting, Martin Luther King, Jr., will be available to address such a group.

Harry Boyte and a friend by the name of William (phonetic) reportedly left Miami on February 4, 1966, to return to Atlanta, Georgia. Boyte was driving an Alfa Romeo car, and during his stay in Miami resided at the Miami International Airport Hotel.

On February 7, 1966, WFO T-1 advised that at the February 3, 1966, SCLC organizational meeting, A. D. Moore was elected Chairman, along with an Executive Committee consisting of Reverend J. P. Papandrew, Reverend J. P. Papandrew, Reverend J. P. Papandrew, and a Mr. Chapman, who was also elected Treasurer.

Although Moore did not particularly want the Chairmanship, it is understood that he took the position rather than have as Chairman a Carl T. Rolfe who was actively seeking the position. Rolfe has a militant and aggressive attitude toward civil rights, and wanted demonstrations, marches, and picketing.

MEMBER OF SUSPECT ORGANIZATION  
Reverend Papandrew has been an avid supporter of SCLC for sometime, and has participated in civil rights

RE: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN  
CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE.

Demonstrations sponsored by the SCLC in the various  
sections of the United States, including Selma,  
Alabama.

VA 5-1 advised that the Miami Chapter is much  
more interested in having "grass roots" people, rather than  
those in the middle class and higher income bracket.

Future activity will concentrate upon obtaining  
equal employment opportunities for Negroes in those business-  
es which have few, if any, Negro employees, such as the  
large department stores and utility companies.

The hiring of Cubans, rather than Negroes, at  
hotels and motels in this area is also a matter of concern.  
The Miami Chapter may bring this practice of employers  
to the attention of Winter tourists. The manner in which  
this would be accomplished has not yet been determined.

Meetings will be held on a weekly basis at  
various locations throughout the Miami area until a local  
office can be established.

There will be no membership fee for joining the  
Miami Chapter, and it is hoped that enough funds can be  
obtained through contributions and donations.

It is contemplated that as soon as a definite  
date can be obtained in approximately four weeks, Martin  
Luther King, Jr. will speak before a meeting sponsored by  
the Miami Chapter at the Bayfront Park Auditorium in down-  
town Miami.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
Miami, Florida  
February 8, 1966

Title COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF  
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADER-  
SHIP CONFERENCE.

Character INTERNAL SECURITY - C.

Reference Memorandum, dated and captioned  
as above, at Miami, Florida.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities  
are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable  
information in the past.

RE:

BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.  
(U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL. (U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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FBI CHICAGO

1009 PM CST URGENT 2/5/66 JLV

TO DIRECTOR (100-10670) AND ATLANTA (100-5586)  
FROM CHICAGO (100-35356)

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR., SM - C.

RE CG TEL TO DIRECTOR TWO/FOUR/SIXTY-SIX.

[REDACTED] ADVISED THIS DATE KING  
DEPARTED CHICAGO AT FOUR FIFTY PM, CST, DELTA AIRLINES FLIGHT  
EIGHT THREE THREE, ENROUTE TO ATLANTA. NO INCIDENTS KNOWN DURING  
KINGS STAY IN CHICAGO.

SECRET SERVICE AND MILITARY ADVISED. LHM FOLLOWS.

END

WA...JMS

FBI WASH DC

AT...JDW

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TKS & CLR

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INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 2/9/66

We are aware that the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, headed by Martin Luther King, Jr., is in serious financial trouble. Stanley Levison, Harry Wachtel, and Clarence Jones are key advisors to King, who all have subversive backgrounds. King rarely makes an important decision without consulting them. Information in attached teletype will be furnished to the Department.

RFB:amr

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ENCODED MESSAGE

Mr. Tolson ✓  
Mr. DeLoach ✓  
Mr. Mohr ✓  
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Mr. Callahan ✓  
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FBI NEW YORK

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TO DIRECTOR //5// AND ATLANTA

ATLANTA VIA WASHINGTON - ANCODED

FROM NEW YORK 2P

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MARTIN LUTHER KING; SECURITY MATTER - C; OFFICE OF ORIGIN

ATLANTA. DIRECTOR (100-106670) AND NEW YORK (100-136585) AND  
ATLANTA (100-5586).

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INFORMATION ON NIGHT OF FEBRUARY EIGHT, SIXTY SIX, WHICH  
DISCLOSED THAT STANLEY LEVISON AND MARTIN LUTHER KING WERE IN  
CONTACT TO DISCUSS AN EMERGENCY MEETING OF THE SCLC, SCHEDULED  
FOR SATURDAY, FEBRUARY TWELVE, SIXTY SIX, IN ATLANTA. THE  
MEETING, ACCORDING TO KING, WILL DEAL WITH THE FINANCIAL  
DIFFICULTIES BEING EXPERIENCED BY THE SCLC. KING SAID CONDITIONS  
WERE SUCH THAT ONLY ABOUT TWO OR THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS A DAY  
IN DONATIONS WERE RECEIVED DURING THE PAST TWO WEEKS, WHEREAS  
THEIR BACK DEBTS EXCEED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ARE  
CONTINUING. IN VIEW OF THESE DIFFICULTIES AND AT KING'S  
INSISTENCE, LEVISON AGREED TO ATTEND THE MEETING, AND SAID HE  
WOULD TRY TO GET WACHTEL AND JONES TO ATTEND AS WELL.

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MR. DELMON FOR THE DIRECTOR

54 FEB 23 1966

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THE BUREAU AND ATLANTA WILL BE EXPEDITIOUSLY ADVISED AS  
SOON AS INFORMATION IS RECEIVED INDICATING THE PLANS OF LEVISON,  
WACHTEL AND JONES. <sup>n</sup> LETTERHEAD MEMO  
LHM FOLLOWS.

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MCS P. REID

FBI WASH DC

cc. Tom Sullivan

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING  
SM - C  
(OO: AT)

DATE: 2/9/66

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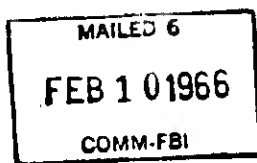
Dear [REDACTED]

Your letter addressed to the Library of Congress was referred to this Bureau on February 7th.

With respect to your inquiry, information contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice. Therefore, I am certain you will understand why I am not in a position to comment as you suggested.

Enclosed is some literature I hope will be of interest to you.

Sincerely yours,



J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosures (2)

12-7-64 & 12-21-64 "U. S. News & World Report"

1 - Portland - Enclosure

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Dear [REDACTED]

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Your recent communication addressed to the  
Library of Congress has been referred to

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C. 20535

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for action.

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Any further correspondence with regard to  
this matter should be sent directly to the address above.

Sincerely yours,

*Mildred C. Portner*  
Mildred C. Portner  
Secretary of the Library

ENCLOSURE

[REDACTED]  
Hills Plains, Oregon 97133

CORRESPONDENCE

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Can you help me? A group of people in our town insist that the F. B. I. has investigated Dr. Martin Luther King and proved him to be a communist. Please tell me if such an investigation was made and what the results were. I hope I am writing to the right place - will appreciate any information you can give me.

Sincerely

/s/

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (157-487)

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(AT:00)

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(P) FIELD OFFICES  
ADVISED BY SLIP(S) *See*  
DATE *4-1-8*

Re Atlanta airtel to Bureau, 1/25/66, re  
"Big Meeting" in Miami, 4/12-13/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 8 copies, and  
Atlanta, 3 copies, of a LHM.

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Miami will continue to follow and report in-  
formation concerning the Executive Board meeting.

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TO SAC ATLANTA (100-5586)

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (100-106670)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SECURITY MATTER - COMMUNIST.

RENYTEL FEBRUARY NINE LAST REGARDING SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN  
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE EMERGENCY MEETING, FEBRUARY TWELVE NEXT.

ATLANTA WILL AFFORD COMPLETE COVERAGE TO THIS MEETING  
CONSISTENT WITH SECURITY. PARTICIPANTS IN THE MEETING SHOULD BE  
IDENTIFIED AND ANY PERSONAL CONTACTS BETWEEN STANLEY LEVISON,  
HARRY WACHTEL, CLARENCE JONES AND MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.,  
VERIFIED WHERE POSSIBLE. ALL PERTINENT INFORMATION DEVELOPED  
SHOULD BE PROMPTLY FURNISHED THE BUREAU IN LETTERHEAD MEMORANDUM  
FORM.

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COPY TO NEW YORK BY MAIL.

EX-117

FEB 11 1966

1 - NEW YORK (100-136585)

NOTE:

A Southern Christian Leadership Conference emergency meeting concerning critical fiscal condition of the organization is to be held in Atlanta, Georgia, on 2/12/66. Stanley Levison, Harry Wachtel and Clarence Jones, key advisors to King who all have subversive backgrounds are expected to attend. In view of the influence these individuals have on King's decisions, Atlanta being instructed to afford complete coverage of meeting consistent with security. Teletype necessary in view of time factor.

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FROM CHICAGO (100-35356) 1P

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SM - C.

RE ATLANTA TEL FEBRUARY EIGHT, LAST.

[REDACTED] ADVISED KING ARRIVED NOON TODAY VIA NORTHWEST  
FLIGHT SEVEN ZERO ONE FROM ATLANTA, TO DEPART CHICAGO FRIDAY,  
FEBRUARY ELEVEN NEXT, EIGHT FORTY P.M., VIA DELTA AIRLINES FLIGHT  
NINE THREE THREE TO ATLANTA. KING TRAVELING WITH REV. BERNARD LEE.

[REDACTED] ADVISED KING HAS SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT THIS P.M. ON CAMPUS,  
ILLINOIS WESLYAN UNIVERSITY, BLOOMINGTON, ILL., TO RETURN  
TO CHICAGO SUBSEQUENT TO SPEECH. KING HAS RENTED AVIS RENT - A -  
CAR, ILL. NINETEEN SIXTY SIX LICENSE AV DASH SEVEN NINE FIVE FOUR,

[REDACTED] ASSUMING KING WILL DRIVE TO BLOOMINGTON.

SPRINGFIELD HANDLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS SET FORTH  
IN ATLANTA TEL OCTOBER FIVE, LAST, COPY TO SPRINGFIELD. CHICAGO  
FOLLOWING, LHM FOLLOWS KING'S DEPARTURE. SECRET SERVICE AND  
MILITARY ADVISED OF KING'S PRESENCE AND SCHEDULED DEPARTURE.

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